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SUBJECT: MALI AND PUERTO RICO

REF: A) BAMAKO 745; B) STATE 49329

1. DEPARTMENT AGREES WITH YOUR RECOMMENDATION REFTEL A THAT PUERTO RICAN ISSUE BE RAISED APPROPRIATELY WITH PRES DENT. SUGGEST YOU KEEP DISCUSSION GENERAL ALONG THESE LINES:

-- USG REGARDS ANY INTERNATIONAL REVIEW OF PUERTO RICO AS A "NON-SELF GOVERNING TERRITORY" AS GROSS INTERFERENCE INTO USG DOMESTIC AFFAIRS.

-- USG WAS ASSURED BY GOM LAST FALL THAT MALIAN COSPONSORSHIP OF CUBAN LANGUAGE AND SUBSEQUENT VOTE TO OPPOSE COMMITTEE OF 24 PROCEDURAL DEFERRAL OF ITEM UNTIL 1976 WERE "MISTAKES" AND WOULD NOT HAPPEN AGAIN. HOWEVER, CONFIDENTIAL

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RECENT REPORTS ORIGINATING FROM MALIAN MISSION IN NEW YORK

INDICATE THAT IT IS PREPARED TO SUPPORT AGAIN CUBAN PRO-
POSAL WHICH MAY EMERGE IN COMMITTEE OF 24 OR NON-ALIGNED
SUMMIT OR BOTH.

-- USG WOULD NOT WISH TO SEE PUERTO RICAN ITEM EMERGE
IN UN FROM ANY CORNER. IN VIEW OF THE GREAT IMPORTANCE
USG ATTACHES TO THIS QUESTION, WE WOULD HOPE AND EXPECT
THAT IF PUERTO RICAN ITEM WERE TO EMERGE, GOM WOULD
STAND BY ITS PREVIOUS ASSURANCES TO USG.

2. ADDITIONAL POINTS RE KOREA SENT SEPTTEL.

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